Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company Docket No. D.T.E. 02-24

Responses to the Attorney General's First Set of Information Requests

Request No. AG-1-18

Please provide a five-year forecast of the Company's construction budget by account.

Response:

The Company's five-year construction budget forecast (in thousands of dollars) for 2002 to 2006 shown in the table below by category description. Construction budget forecasts are projected by categories, not account.

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
GAS	BUDGETED	BUDGETED	BUDGETED	BUDGETED	BUDGETED
<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	AMOUNT
GAS PRODUCTION	\$151.10	\$502.10	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
DISTRIBUTION LINES - GAS	\$1,967.60	\$2,352.00	\$2,195.00	\$2,238.90	\$2,283.70
GAS ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS - BLANKET	\$1,070.00	\$1,091.40	\$1,113.20	\$1,135.50	\$1,158.20
WATER HEATER ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS-BLANKET	\$200.54	\$204.55	\$208.64	\$212.82	\$217.07
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$3,389.24	\$4,150.05	\$3,616.84	\$3,687.22	\$3,758.97
Total Estimated Customer Contributions	\$119.50	\$58.40	\$59.50	\$60.80	\$62.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (net of contributions)	\$3,269.74	\$4,091.65	\$3,557.34	\$3,626.42	\$3,696.97
TOTAL					
COMMON					
DESCRIPTION					
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	\$475.50	\$572.90	\$189.00	\$219.00	\$213.00
STRUCTURES	\$40.40	\$235.60	\$114.50	\$35.50	\$140.00
OFFICE FURNITURE, GENERAL TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	\$265.70	\$351.50	\$216.40	\$218.00	\$131.60
TOTAL COMMON PROJECT COST	\$781.60	\$1,160.00	\$519.90	\$472.50	\$484.60

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